



IT WAS farmers vs the city folks at Tuesday afternoon meeting of the Tulare county board of supervisors in Visalia, when representatives of five incorporated cities presented

resolutions asking for exclusion of city residents from payment of the county's structural fire tax, and farmers opposed the exemptions. From Porterville, representing farmers, were: Clara

Rutherford, Howard Michaelis and Art Bodley; from Exeter, Grant Merrill; from Tulare, Rush Bergman; from Exeter, Tony Hebner, chairman of the Tulare County Farm Bureau taxation

committee; and from Ivanhoe, Paul Johnson, president of the County Farm Bureau. On the side of the cities were, from Porterville, Babe Hodgson,

representing the industrial committee of the chamber of commerce, and Dr. Richard Spencer, Porterville mayor.

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IT'S JUST A DAY'S WORK... LOGS ROLL OUT OF HILLS

6:55 a.m. - Bill Ellsworth checks in at the Terra Bella headquarters of the Art Coulter Trucking company, starts the big diesel motor in the Mack truck, takes a look at tires on the rig and trailer, sets the tachograph (stool pigeon if you prefer) washes the windshield, and says, "Let's go."

This is nothing new to Ellsworth. He started driving truck when he was 16 years old and got behind the wheel of his first logging truck in 1946 - 1½ ton Dodge that he drove between the Quaking Aspen country and the Carl Kibler saw

mill in Doyle Colony. He picked up valuable experience when he dumped the Dodge in the canyon above The Forks.

7:10 a.m. - Out on the road, passed the Sierra Forest Product mill, onto old highway 65, headed south, through Ducor and east toward the hills.

7:27 a.m. - Through Fountain Springs, and onto the right fork. "We're off the freeway now."

7:45 a.m. - Through White River, and up the hill.

Travelling empty, the Mack truck chuckles along like a frisky hotrod; lots of life in the throttle; deep

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Collection Of Indian Baskets Given To Museum

PORTERVILLE — Back in the early days of the community, the late Wilko Mentz Sr., and Mrs. Mentz acquired an excellent collection of Indian baskets.

Next Monday, at 11 a.m., the Mentz collection will be presented to the Porterville museum from the estate of the late Mrs. Jessie Hepburn Mentz.

Relatives, representatives of the estate, and Porterville city and chamber of commerce officials, will be at the museum for a brief ceremony. Marie

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"NO DECISION," CITIES VS COUNTY; PORTERVILLE TAX HELD AT \$1.25

Farmers, and officials of five incorporated cities in Tulare county, sat on opposite sides of the fence at a meeting of county supervisors in Visalia Tuesday afternoon, and Porterville city officials and a dilemma sat on opposite sides of the fence Tuesday night at a meeting of the Porterville city council in the city hall.

Taxes, budgets, providing of public services and the question of who pays for what and how much was at the bottom of it all.

Specific issue at the supervisors' meeting was whether or not incorporated cities that provide their own structural fire protection service and facilities should be exempt from county taxation that goes to also provide structural fire protection service.

At issue was a reduction of from 23 to 29 cents in the county tax rate inside incorporated cities - including Porterville - and a possible

increase in county tax rate outside the city of from eight to 10 cents to pick up the difference.

State law says that incorporated cities can, by resolution, request exemption from payment of county structural fire taxes. Five Tulare county cities made this request - Porterville, Lindsay, Dinuba, Tulare and Visalia.

However, certain questions arose: Is it mandatory that the county grant the requested exemptions, and since, in Tulare county, the percentage of the fire protection budget that goes to structural fire protection is financed out of sales tax rather than property tax, does this change the legal situation in any way and eliminate the city's claim of double taxation?

On these two points County Counsel Cal Baldwin has requested an opinion from the state attorney general.

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OUT OF the mountains come the big logs - Bill Ellsworth, of Porterville who started driving logging trucks back in 1946, checks out his truck at Terra

Bella; puts it into the landing in the Sugar Loaf country just below the Tobias Peak lookout station; Bill, and Dwight Reeves, the woods boss, watching

loading operation; the three-log load ready to go; Bill ties it down with chain and cable binders; unloading at Sierra Forest Products mill at Terra

Bella; trailer hoisted onto the truck for return trip into the mountains; Art Coulter, who operates 17 logging trucks,

controls the operation by telephone and radio out of his Terra Bella office.

(Farm Tribune photos)

Editorial Comment

THE CONSUMER SPEAKS

There has been a great deal of posturing and pontificating about the poor, addled consumer and his need for wise counselors to guide him through the jungles of the neighborhood mom and pop market. Most of this is pretentious poppycock, of course, for it denigrates that toughest, smartest judge of product marketing—the American housewife. She's well aware of her rights, and perfectly capable of speaking up for them.

That she is doing so, effectively, is evidenced by the fact that during the past five years 20 pieces of consumer legislation were passed by Congress. Currently there are nearly 100 similar bills in the legislative hopper, many of them being considered by 11 House and nine Senate committees.

Among these measures is that of California Senator George Murphy, the Consumer Food Protection Act of 1969, prototype of federal legislation sought by a rapidly growing body of consumers across the nation to assure all buyers the right to purchase the food of their choice in the place of their choice, without being harassed and damaged by anti-consumer boycotts and strikes.

Senator Murphy's bill would correct a long existing situation in agriculture that has made possible the current grape boycott, contrived by Cesar Chavez when his effort to coerce California grape pickers into his United Farm Workers' Organizing Committee failed miserably. Because of the special nature of agriculture the usual management-labor procedures cannot now be equitably applied. A strike at harvest time could destroy a crop, and a farm. The consumer would be denied the right to purchase that lost produce.

The spectacular growth of the recently organized nation-wide Consumers' Rights Committee — with more than 20,000 individuals and organizations representing every state in a demand for new federal guidelines such as proposed in the Murphy bill—is new and convincing evidence that when his rights are trampled on, like those "grapes of wrath" of old, the consumer speaks out in no uncertain terms.

PORTERVILLE TAX

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Third question involved wording in the state code that says a city may request exemption from the county structural fire tax if that city provides adequate fire protection, and if no benefit is derived from county structural fire protection.

Supervisor Raymond Muller said the county must make the determination; Dr. Richard Spencer, Porterville mayor, said the city makes its own determination when it resolves to request exemption.

Spokesmen for county cities were Spencer and Mayor R.D. Tannhauser, of Dinuba.

Opposing the granting of city

exemption from payment of the county structural fire tax was Paul Johnson, Ivanhoe farmer and president of the Tulare County Farm Bureau.

He was joined in statements to the supervisors by Tony Hebner, chairman of the County Farm Bureau Tax committee; by Rush Bergman, of Tulare; Grant Merrill, of Exeter; Clara Rutherford, Howard Michaelis, and Art Bodley, of Porterville, and others.

Contention of farmers was that they are already carrying a substantial tax load that is constantly increasing; that in case of the structural fire tax issue, cities are attempting to pressure urban areas adjacent to cities into annexing, with

"MUSIC MAN" SURVIVES ADVERSITY ON ROAD TRIP THROUGH CALIFORNIA

By Peter L. Faure

"It'll be hard work, but I hope you'll enjoy it."

Appreciation for John Lawson's prophetic knack came quickly to the cast and crew of "The Music Man," as Porterville College's Summer Touring theatre pounded down the pike to discover the joys and rigors of the road. There was work aplenty, and enjoyment came with interest during the five-day trip.

Packed into a bus, a truck, and two suburbans, not to mention the vehicles of the Foerster, Schiemer, and Natzke families - the troupe set out July 28 on an itinerary covering 250 miles and four stops; Big Sur, Carmel, Big Basin, and San Francisco.

The first day was full of omens, and by sunset, the group had weathered its baptism of fire. A long side trip seemed necessary for a moment when the truck, carrying the stage lumber and hardware, plus the luggage, took a wrong turn into a cloverleaf overpass. Stopping later at an A & W in Los Banos for lunch, the caravan pushed chivalrously on when the head waitress pleaded earnestly that the stand-full of new help would be swamped. A stand was soon found, though, that could absorb the avalanche of hunger.

In Hollister, the truck driver thought he received a signal to pull over, and turned off into a

gas station, where a cargo of oddly stacked flats wiped out a few fluorescent lamps. More serious to the company was the destruction of a template needed to support a vital onstage platform.

A repair was jerryed together that afternoon after arriving at a pre-arranged campsite at Pfeiffer Big Sur National park, where a soon familiar pattern assembled itself, basically the same at every stop.

The stages might be pleasant to the eye, but were something else in use. The Big Sur stage was merely a patch of concrete before an open-air amphitheatre, with nothing to screen the backstage but too few backdrop flats and some trees and bushes.

After the stage crew had set up the stage, John and Martelle Lawson would conduct rehearsals, needed for practice and for adjustment to the newest stage, and generally carried on in full view of an audience of bypassers. The next step was costumes, cared for by an outnumbered costume crew providing, in the face of a derailed schedule, for a troop of half-frantic actors scurrying after missing ties, hats, skirts and shoes.

That night, 800 people saw "The Music Man."

The Forest theatre of Carmel was Tuesday's showplace. Also called "The Theatre In The Ground" it is built into a hillside - it was one of the better stages. Open-air seats were up the hill,

involved, is that if the county does not grant the tax exemption, cities may test the exemption law in court.

After delaying the setting of a tax rate until the Tuesday afternoon meeting with county supervisors on the structural fire tax issue, Porterville city councilmen Tuesday night set the city tax rate at \$1.25 - the same as last year - voted not to levy any new taxes (the tippers' tax and a tax on utility services had been considered) set up a priority of capital improvement projects; and adjusted upward city charges for sewage disposal, garbage collection and water.

These increases will raise about \$79,000; projects in the No. 1 priority category as set up by the city totalled about \$115,000 - so there is not enough money to go around.

But the city budget is balanced, and, as Councilman Aubrey Lumley said, "By using existing sources of revenue and without levying any new taxes, we have made a good start."

Included in provisions for city services rate increases is the provision that departments will be operated on a "business basis," and rates will be such that departments "operate in the black."

Spencer presented strong arguments for levying of a five percent tax on across the counter sale of alcoholic beverages that would raise an estimated \$35,000 annually, and he voted "no" in a 4-1 vote favoring no new city taxes.

preceded by a large orchestra pit, preceded in turn by a wide expanse of wooden stage, which happened to double as the theater building's roof. A cold thick fog rolled in during the night, which many performers, waiting offstage, fought by getting together, linking around in a circle, and forming a human donut.

News arrived late that afternoon of the fire that claimed the mother and sister of Bill Wulff. He finished the performance, and was escorted home, with a cousin, Elaine Brown, by John Holden and Carl Driver. His part was filled by James Newsome.

Sleeping on the floor was in style that night, as the bus had broken down, and the theatre lobby had a nice, new carpet. At 4:30 a.m. the bus was repaired and the cast, crew, and band rode sleepily to camp, where the KP crew had rustled up hot soup, coffee, and chocolate for the weary company.

On Wednesday the slate read Big Basin National park, where the stage was a sturdily-built wooden half circle with a domed ceiling. There was a catch, however, the stage could be entered only by coming across the front and turning down, hopping lightly over ornamental boulders and masonry steps.

An audience of 850 rose to give a unanimous standing ovation to the efforts of Porterville's troupe.

Sixty seven miles over the ridge to Fungsten park in San Francisco lay the troupe's last engagement. At a public park, sitting on a baseball diamond, was a long mobile home with a collapsible deck in front - the proscenium. A button was pushed, and a side rose overhead to reveal a showmobile. On the left were tennis courts in use. On the right, a noisy freeway. Flats were pounded with a hammer and a prayer between the floor and ceiling. Eventually, the stage crew ran the actors outside and closed the entries, for fear that milling people or the wind would lay the flats low.

At last, tired but proud of itself, a group of veteran troupers returned to Porterville, August 1. The all-amateur production set a genuine precedent for scholastic, especially college, theater. It proved that such an undertaking could be brought off with success, surviving all the cussedness fate might dish out.

James Smith, Cliff Garrison Rodeo Winners

SPRINGVILLE — James Smith, of Bakersfield in the 6-12 year age group and Cliff Garrison, of Tulare, in the 13-16 year age group, were all-around winners at the Springville-Sierra Junior rodeo held last Sunday.

Francene Kurz was named rodeo queen, with Kim Nelson and Susan Buchak as attendants. Sponsoring the event were the Springville Lions club and the Springville Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

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Terra Bella Plans Chamber Banquet Oct. 16

TERRA BELLA — Date for annual banquet of the Terra Bella chamber of commerce has been set for October 16, with Chamber President John O'Brien naming Glen Duysen as general chairman for the event.

J. Martin Brown will be in

charge of ticket sales; Richard Muller is chairman of the general arrangements and speaker committee; Jack Snyder is handling table arrangement; women of the Zion Lutheran church will prepare the meal; members of the Rose Garden

club will be in charge of decorations; Sterling Ensign is preparing the special guests list.

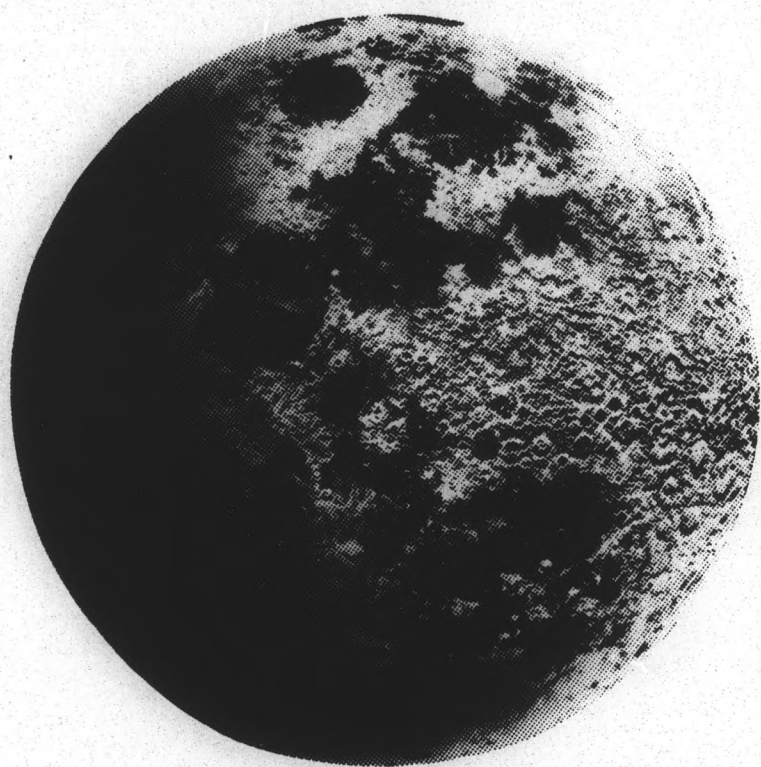
The banquet will be held in the Terra Bella Memorial building; speaker for the evening will be announced soon.

EXCHANGE CLUB WINS BIG "E"

PORTERVILLE — The Exchange club of Porterville has won the National Exchange Club's Big "E" Award for Excellence it was announced last week at the national

organization's 51st annual convention in Los Angeles. The award is presented annually to Exchange clubs meeting high standards of efficiency, growth and community service.

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BUILDING DONATION OPENS DOOR FOR EXPANDED SERVICES THROUGH GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN HOME

TERRA BELLA — The generosity of an Apple Valley family has resulted in a new service for the retarded - respite care - soon to be offered by Good Shepherd Lutheran Home of the West.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bechtold, who operated Apple Valley Convalescent hospital for several years before opening a 98-bed facility in nearby Victorville, decided to donate their 18-bed nursing home in Apple Valley to Good Shepherd Home. The fully-equipped facility was appraised a year ago at \$100,000.

Board of directors of Good Shepherd Home met recently to inspect the place. All that is needed is an overhead sprinkler system for fire control and a supply of linens. Expansion of fencing may be needed later.

Near by is Ascension Lutheran church, pastored by the Rev. Charles Vanderhyde. The Bechtolds are members of the church and their fellow members are already offering volunteer services.

The administration of the facility will be based at Good Shepherd Home, where all

applications must be processed. Parents who wish information should contact Director of Admissions, Good Shepherd Home, Terra Bella, California 93270. Advance notice for respite care will be needed, except in cases of extreme emergency, it is stated.

Opening date is October 1. It is believed that the Apple Valley satellite home will be the largest of its type in the nation. There are other respite homes, but they seldom have a capacity of more than six beds, according to the administrator, E.M. Engstrom. The Home is considering a service to the aging retarded in the future, and Apple Valley may play a part in this planning, he added.

Apple Valley is a desert community made famous by two of its community leaders, Roy Rogers and Dale Evans, ardent supporters of programs aiding the retarded.

CLEM LINCICUM NEW CITY MANAGER

TULARE — Clem Lincicum has been named city manager at Tulare, replacing Howard

VISALIA HOG MARKET SALES NEARLY TWO MILLION DOLLARS DURING YEAR

VISALIA — A report on three years of expanding operation that culminated during the recently-ended fiscal year in sales of nearly \$2,000,000 will highlight annual membership meeting of the Visalia Hog Market, to be held August 16 in San Luis Obispo.

Axie Morgan, of Visalia, president of the Hog Market, states that for the year ending June 30, 1969, sales totaled \$1,942,437; that 48,258 head of hogs went through the market; and that membership in the non-profit agriculture code cooperative reached 581.

Audit report by Wm. H. McCullough & Co., of Visalia, show patronage savings of \$5,959.28 to members during the past fiscal year, with the hog market operating on a three percent sales commission.

"These patronage payments came out of the three percent sales commission and go back to Visalia Hog Market members," says Roy Sharp, of Tulare, secretary of the association.

Boston. He has served as police chief since 1961, and was assistant city manager under Boston.

"Actually, when you figure that sales commission in most hog marketing yards is five percent, compared to our three percent, our members also pocketed another \$40,000 that they would not have had if they had sold through most other markets."

Operating at Visalia out of the Tulare County Farm Bureau Livestock Sales facility, the Visalia Hog Market is being utilized by producers throughout the San Joaquin valley; by many in San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, Riverside and Ventura counties; and by some as far south as Thermal.

The Market was incorporated on July 1, 1966, with 31 original members, 24 of whom subscribed \$9,130 on five-year debentures to finance the operation.

Membership reached 385 after one year, and 26,672 head of hogs were sold during the first year. Both membership and sales volume has steadily advanced during the three-year life of the cooperative association.

Other highlights of the third annual membership meeting in San Luis Obispo will be an open forum on "Practical Hog Operations," starting at 1 p.m. in the agricultural engineering building auditorium on the Cal Poly campus.

Forum panel will consist of Jerry Meyers, Victor Swanson and Virgil Shoemaker, of Tulare; and Herman Sackman, of Arroyo Grande.

An evening dinner of barbecued pork chops is set for 7 p.m. at the Motel Inn, with State Assemblyman William K. Ketchum, of Paso Robles, as principal speaker. Ketchum is chairman of the Assembly Agriculture committee, an attorney and cattleman, and a past president of the San Luis Obispo County Farm Bureau.

Directors of the Visalia Hog Market serving with Morgan and Sharp are: Shoemaker, vice president; William Silveira, treasurer, of Tulare; and Sackman. General manager of the Hog Market is M.A. "Doc" Parsley; attorney for the association is Orley O. Davis, both of Visalia.

Original purpose - and still the purpose - of the Visalia Hog Market was to conduct weekly hog sales, supplying a market outlet for pork producers in central and southern California.

Nevada producers have also utilized the marketing service, and, during the past year, 325 head of sheep were also sold.

"Constantly increasing membership, along with increasing sales volume over the

three-year period indicates the need for such a cooperative sales outlet, also the basic economic soundness of the Visalia Hog Market operation," Morgan says.

Demolition Of Resort Is Ordered

VISALIA — Demolition of the California Hot Springs resort within two months has been ordered by the Tulare county board of supervisors following conferences with owners of the resort - Richard Flint, Oscar Klein, and Ray Smezza.

The resort has been declared substandard and in need of extensive repairs, resulting from a \$400,000 fire on May 23, 1968 that gutted the hotel and restaurant complex.

The county building department has reported that sewage disposal, water, and electrical facilities are substandard. If the county is forced to demolition the resort buildings, an estimated cost of from \$6,000 to \$7,000 would become a lien against the property.

It is reported that a Nevada firm, A.C. Enterprises Inc., representing the Pioneer Development company of Porterville, is negotiating to purchase the property and re-develop a resort complex.

American College Test Set September 6

PORTERVILLE — An American College Test (ACT) residual will be given Saturday, September 6, from 8:00-12:30 at Porterville College.

Students who will be new to Porterville College this Fall are reminded that ACT results are required before registration can be completed.

A fee of \$6.00 is required to take the exam and must be paid at the College bookstore by September 3.

The test will be given in Room 2 of the Communications Arts building.

PORTERVILLE REALTORS TO ATTEND MEETING

PORTERVILLE — Several Porterville realtors, and their wives, are planning to attend the annual convention of the California Real Estate association to be held in Los Angeles from September 27 to October 2, it is reported by Jack Letsinger, president of the Orange Belt Board of Realtors.

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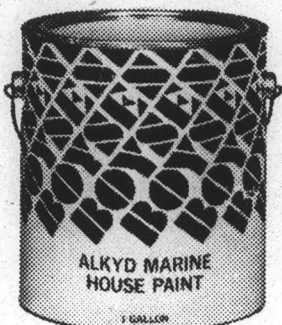
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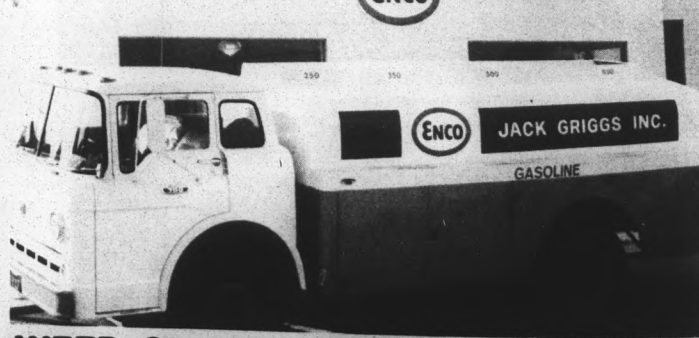
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AWARDS GO TO VANDALIA 4-H MEMBERS

VANDALIA - Vandalia 4-H club members reviewing awards at the 1969 County Awards night, held recently at the Dinuba Memorial building, were John Bennett, agriculture; Steve Bakalian, entomology; and Emmy Lou Weldon, sheep.

Medalists were Brent Scranton and Greg Bennett, agriculture; Richard Bennett, JoAnne Purinton and Patrick Bennett, beef; Glenn Bakalian, entomology; Darnell Grant, horse; and Janice Scranton, sheep.

Two Vandalia members were chosen as County All-Stars for the 1969-70 4-H year. They are Janice Scranton and Patrick Bennett.

Junior Leader Merit Awards were presented to Nanci Carter and John Bennett. Both county All-Stars and Junior Leader Merit awards winners will attend the annual 4-H State Leadership conference to be held on the Davis campus, August 18-22.

Among adults receiving leadership pins were Mrs. Bill Bennett, five-year pin; Robert Bennett, 10-year pin; and Mrs. Loretta Scranton, 15-year pin.

An estimated \$35 billion will be spent on recreational auto travel by American families in 1969.

Tulare County Fair Horse Show Set Sept. 19, 20, 21; Novice Class Added

TULARE - Dates for 37th annual Tulare County Fair Horse show have been set for September 19-20-21, with novice classes added this year. Closing date for all entries is September 5, at 2 p.m.

The new novice group is limited to junior exhibitors from Tulare county who have never won a blue ribbon. The event is set for Friday evening, September 19, starting at 7:30 p.m., with two age groups - 14 years and younger, and 15-17

years. Classes include western pleasure, western equitation, and trail horse.

Classes for Saturday and Sunday, morning and afternoon shows, include: Three gaited, English equitation, English pleasure, working hunters, Barbara Worth Hands and Seat Medal class, hunt seat equitation over fences, jumpers, working hunters, English equitation saddle seat, Champ Hough Hands and Seat Medal class, hunters under saddle, English pleasure hunt type.

Trail horse, western equitation, western pleasure, western bareback, stock horse, Appaloosa western pleasure, and Quarter Horse western pleasure.

Open classes and age-group classes are included in the Saturday and Sunday shows.

Heading up the horse show is Dave Smith; Miss Judy Kennedy will be show judge; Joe Pacheco will be show steward. Entry forms can be obtained at the Tulare County Fair office, 215 East Alpine, P.O. Box 777, Tulare 93274. Office phone is 686-4707.

There are 1,872 lakes on California's 17 national forests, covering some 47,000 acres, and ranging in elevation from near sea level to over 13,000 feet.

ROCKFORD ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT SEPT. 8

ROCKFORD - Achievement night program and installation of officers for the Rockford 4-H club will be held the evening of September 8 in the multi-purpose room of the Rockford school. Club members are asked to wear uniforms; boys and girls interested in joining the Rockford club are invited to attend.

At a recent meeting of the club, activities for the coming year were outlined in the fields of community beautification, community service, demonstrations, costume party, floats, tours and speakers.

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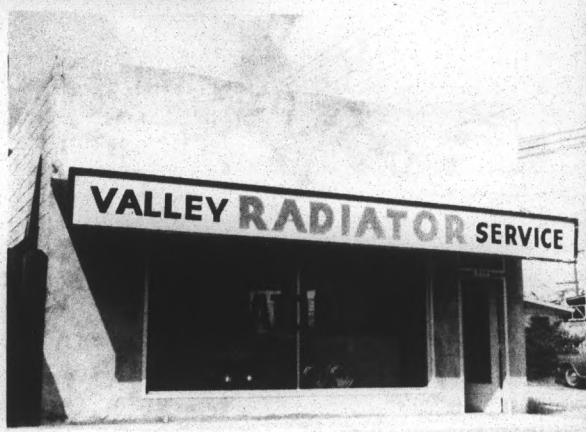


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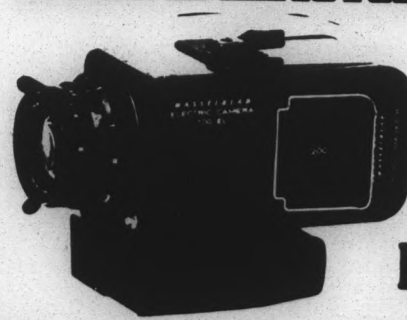
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FRED STONE IS PRESIDING JUDGE OF DISTRICT COURT

VISALIA — Associate Justice Fred Stone, of Visalia, has been appointed as presiding justice of the Fifth District Court of Appeals in Fresno by Governor Ronald Reagan.

Stone, who was raised in Porterville, attended Porterville schools and Stanford University, then practiced law in Porterville prior to his appointment as a Superior court judge in Tulare county, succeeds the late Justice Phillip Conley.

He was appointed to the Superior court bench in 1947, then to the Fifth District Court of Appeals in 1961. In 1955 he was appointed a member of the Judicial Council of California.

Justice Stone is married to the former Edna Bridge, of Porterville; the Stones have two sons, William, a practicing attorney in Bakersfield, and John, a pre-med student at Stanford.

WOODLAKE BOY PLAYS WITH CUBS

WOODLAKE — Woodlake residents have more than a passing interest in professional baseball this season. Jim Qualls, a Woodlake high school baseball star in 1962-63, is now playing center field for the Chicago Cubs who are leading the eastern division of the National league.



From
**Daybell
Nursery**
By John

In August there is not much to say except get ready for September. We would say that and leave the rest of the space blank but we more or less did that last week and we hate to have people know how lazy we really are.

Speaking of lazy this is the season when lazy gardening should be encouraged. You should have enough garden hose that it doesn't have to be carried around or so few shrubs that you don't have to water. You might also consider the water timers that turn the water off at whatever time you wish it to stop. These attach in the hose like a sprinkler and require no special connections or ability.

Also designed for the lazy gardener is EPTAM. This is a granular material which you scratch in around your shrubs to keep the weeds down. It even works on tough weeds like bermuda and nut grass if you dig them out first and then work the EPTAM in. There are many aids such as these which take the work out of gardening and allow you time to jog the fat off instead. Someday work will become fashionable again and you can go back to the shovel.

We hope you're having a nice summer. Preferably a long vacation so you'll return in September all fired up and ready to "dig in". We will be here waiting.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF GENERAL DISTRICT ELECTION LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Notice hereby is given that a General District Election will be held in this District on November 4, 1969. The names of the offices for which candidates may be nominated are as follows:

Director, Division 1
Director, Division 2
Director, Division 3
Assessor
Collector-Treasurer

The qualifications of a nominee and of an elective officer of the district are as follows:

Director - shall be a voter and a freeholder of the district and a resident of the division he represents.

Assessor; Collector-Treasurer - must be an elector.

Official nominating petitions for eligible candidates desiring to file for any of the elective offices may be obtained either from the Secretary of the district at 16563 Road 168, Woodville, or from the County Clerk at Room 201, Courthouse, Visalia. Forms for petitions shall be available commencing on August 21, 1969, the 75th day before the election, and shall be filed with the County Clerk either in person or by certified mail not later than 5:00 p.m., September 15, 1969, the 50th day before the election.

In the event there are no nominees or an insufficient number of nominees for each elective office and a petition for an election is not timely filed, an appointment to such elective office shall be made.

The candidate is to pay for the publication of a statement of qualifications pursuant to Elections Code Sec. 10012.5.*

Dated: August 1, 1969
JAMES E. HOWARD,
County Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF GENERAL DISTRICT ELECTION WOODVILLE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

Notice hereby is given that a General District Election will be held in this District on November 4, 1969. The names of the offices for which candidates may be nominated are as follows:

2 members, Board of Directors
The qualifications of a nominee and of an elective officer of the district are as follows:

must be a resident and qualified elector of the district

Official nominating petitions for eligible candidates desiring to file for any of the elective offices may be obtained either from the Secretary of the district at 16716 Avenue 168, Tulare, or from the County Clerk at Room 201, Courthouse, Visalia. Forms for petitions shall be available commencing on August 21, 1969, the 75th day before the election, and shall be filed with the County Clerk either in person or by certified mail not later than 5:00 p.m., September 15, 1969, the 50th day before the election.

In the event there are no nominees or an insufficient number of nominees for each elective office and a petition for an election is not timely filed, an appointment to such elective office shall be made.

The candidate is to pay for the publication of a statement of qualifications pursuant to Elections Code Sec. 10012.5.*

Dated: August 1, 1969
JAMES E. HOWARD,
County Clerk

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NOTICE OF GENERAL DISTRICT ELECTION TEA POT DOME WATER DISTRICT

Notice hereby is given that a General District Election will be held in this District on November 4, 1969. The names of the offices for which candidates may be nominated are as follows:

3 members, Board of Directors
Secretary-Treasurer-Tax Assessor-Collector

The qualifications of a nominee and of an elective officer of the district are as follows:

a nominee for director must be a holder of title in the district.

Secretary-Treasurer-Tax Assessor-Collector-none stated in principal act.

Official nominating petitions for eligible candidates desiring to file for any of the elective offices may be obtained either from the Secretary of the district at 424 E. Tea Pot Dome, Porterville, or from the County Clerk at Room 201, Courthouse, Visalia. Forms for petitions shall be available commencing on August 21, 1969, the 75th day before the election, and shall be filed with the County Clerk either in person or by certified mail not later than 5:00 p.m., September 15, 1969, the 50th day before the election.

In the event there are no nominees or an insufficient number of nominees for each elective office and a petition for an election is not timely filed, an appointment to such elective office shall be made.

The candidate is to pay for the publication of a statement of qualifications pursuant to Elections Code Sec. 10012.5.*

Dated: August 1, 1969
JAMES E. HOWARD,
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NOTICE OF GENERAL DISTRICT ELECTION VANDALIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Notice hereby is given that a General District Election will be held in this District on November 4, 1969. The names of the offices for which candidates may be nominated are as follows:

Director for Division 1
Director for Division 3

The qualifications of a nominee and of an elective officer of the district are as follows:

Shall be a registered voter and freeholder in the district.

Official nominating petitions for eligible candidates desiring to file for any of the elective offices may be obtained either from the Secretary of the district at 4555 S. Hillcrest, Porterville, or from the County Clerk at Room 201, Courthouse, Visalia. Forms for petitions shall be available commencing on August 21, 1969, the 75th day before the election, and shall be filed with the County Clerk either in person or by certified mail not later than 5:00 p.m., September 15, 1969, the 50th day before the election.

In the event there are no nominees or an insufficient number of nominees for each elective office and a petition for an election is not timely filed, an appointment to such elective office shall be made.

The candidate is to pay for the publication of a statement of qualifications pursuant to Elections Code Sec. 10012.5.*

Dated: August 1, 1969
JAMES E. HOWARD,
County Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP AND OF DISCONTINUANCE OF USE OF FIRM NAME, AND CERTIFICATE OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS NAME

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 15035.5 of the Corporations code and of Section 2469.1 of the Civil Code of the State of California, notice is hereby given that the partnership composed of ARTHUR BEZZERIDES heretofore engaged in business under the firm name of "BEZZERIDES BROS." at Route 1 Box 338, Oroquieta, California, was dissolved as of midnight May 31, 1969; that thereafter said firm discontinued and abandoned the use of said name; and that after said dissolution no person had authority to incur obligations for said former firm.

BEZZERIDES BROS.
By PAUL BEZZERIDES
ARTHUR BEZZERIDES
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF FRESNO

On this 29th day of May, 1969, before me, MARY A. LAWLESS, a Notary Public in and for said County and State residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn personally appeared PAUL BEZZERIDES and ARTHUR BEZZERIDES known to me to be the persons described in, whose names are subscribed to and who executed the within instrument, and acknowledged that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at my office in said County, the day and year in this Certificate first above written.

Mary A. Lawless
NOTARY PUBLIC in and for said County and State

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CERTIFICATE OF INDIVIDUAL TRANSACTING BUSINESS UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am transacting business as BEZZERIDES BROS. near the town of Oroquieta, Tulare County, State of California, under a designation not showing the name of the person interested in such business, to wit: BEZZERIDES BROS.

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My place of residence is 14142 Avenue 416, Oroquieta, California.

PAUL BEZZERIDES
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF FRESNO

On this 29th day of May, 1969, before me, MARY A. LAWLESS, a Notary Public in and for said County and State residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn personally appeared PAUL BEZZERIDES known to me to be the person described in, whose name is subscribed to and who executed the within instrument, and acknowledged that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at my office in said County, the day and year in this Certificate first above written.

Mary A. Lawless
NOTARY PUBLIC in and for said County and State

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS Superior Court of the State of California For the County of Tulare No. 20463

Estate of HERMAN R. MATZKE, also known as H.R. Matzke and Herman Matzke, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law offices of Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk, 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California 93257, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated August 1, 1969
ROBERT A. MATZKE
Executor of the Will of the above named decedent.
Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk
Attorneys at Law
141 East Mill Avenue
Porterville, California 93257
Telephone: (209) 784-5064
Attorneys for Executor
First publication: August 7, 1969
au7,14,21,28,54

NOTICE OF GENERAL DISTRICT ELECTION HOPE WATER DISTRICT

Notice hereby is given that a General District Election will be held in this District on November 4, 1969. The names of the offices for which candidates may be nominated are as follows:

2 members, Board of Directors
The qualifications of a nominee and of an elective officer of the district are as follows:

shall be a holder of title in the district.

Official nominating petitions for eligible candidates desiring to file for any of the elective offices may be obtained either from the Secretary of the district at 335 North 2nd St., Porterville, or from the County Clerk at Room 201, Courthouse, Visalia. Forms for petitions shall be available commencing on August 21, 1969, the 75th day before the election, and shall be filed with the County Clerk either in person or by certified mail not later than 5:00 p.m., September 15, 1969, the 50th day before the election.

In the event there are no nominees or an insufficient number of nominees for each elective office and a petition for an election is not timely filed, an appointment to such elective office shall be made.

The candidate is to pay for the publication of a statement of qualifications pursuant to Elections Code Sec. 10012.5.*

Dated: August 1, 1969
JAMES E. HOWARD,
County Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Superior Court of the State of California For the County of Tulare No. 20435

Estate of PETER CAMACHES, also known as Peter P. Camaches, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law office of Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk, 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California 93257, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated: July 8, 1969
ETHEL CAMACHES Executrix of the Will of the above named decedent
Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk
Attorneys at Law
141 East Mill Avenue
Porterville, California 93257
Telephone: (209) 784-5064
Attorneys for Executrix
First Publication: July 17, 1969
jy17,24,31,a7,14

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Superior Court of the State of California For the County of Tulare No. 20439

Estate of GEORGE P. MOORE, also known as George Phillip Moore and Geo. Phillip Moore, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law office of Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk, 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California 93257, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated July 11, 1969
RAMONA MOORE CALKINS
Executrix of the Will of the above named decedent
Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk
Attorneys at Law
141 East Mill Avenue
Porterville, California 93257
Telephone: (209) 784-5064
Attorneys for Executrix
First publication: July 24, 1969
jy24,31,a7,14,21

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Superior Court of the State of California For the County of Tulare No. 20464

Estate of VERENA E. WALL, also known as Verena Elizabeth Wall and Verena Wall, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law office of Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk, 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California 93257, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated August 1, 1969
GERALDINE WALL MALONEY
Executrix of the Will of the above named decedent
Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk
Attorneys at Law
141 East Mill Avenue
Porterville, California 93257
Telephone: (209) 784-5064
Attorneys for Executrix
First publication: August 7, 1969
au7,14,21,28,54

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Superior Court of the State of California For the County of Tulare No. 20462

Estate of EMERY WALL, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law office of Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk, 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California 93257, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated August 1, 1969
GERALDINE WALL MALONEY
Executrix of the Will of the above named decedent
Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk
Attorneys at Law
141 East Mill Avenue
Porterville, California 93257
Telephone: (209) 784-5064
Attorneys for Executrix
First publication: August 7, 1969
au7,14,21,28,54

THOUSAND STUDENTS AT SUMMER SESSION

PORTERVILLE — Summer sessions in the Porterville elementary schools included a primary school, an intermediate school and a speech clinic according to Herbert D. Bonds, assistant superintendent in charge of elementary instruction; total enrollment was 1,043, with 428 in the primary school at Olive street, 527 in the intermediate school at Bartlett and 88 in the speech clinic at Bellevue.

STEVEN WILLIAMS IS CONFERENCE DELEGATE

DINUBA — Steven Williams of the Wilson-Dinuba 4-H club, son of Mr. & Mrs. Franklin Williams, ranchers in the Dinuba area, has been selected to be one of the six delegates to represent California at the Nevada State 4-H conference. This 4-H Club conference is similar to the California conference, emphasizing growth and development of young people.

Williams was selected on the basis of his 4-H Club accomplishments, record books, and as a Diamond Star candidate. He was a 1968-69 All Star, has served as president and treasurer of the Tulare County Hi-4-H club and is co-chairman of this year's Hi-4-H camp. He has also been a junior camp counselor for the past four years and active on many committees throughout the state and county.

The Nevada conference, being held this week at Stead Air Force base near Reno, will emphasize citizenship training and leadership activities.

There are 46 winter sports sites on the national forests of California that are on permit to concessionaires for skiing, tobogganing, and snow play.

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Crack-Down On Violation Of Deer Tag Law

SACRAMENTO — Deer hunters were warned again this week by the Department of Fish and Game that it is 'cracking down' on deer tag violations.

DFG wardens have been instructed to issue a citation to any successful deer hunter who:

1. Moves a deer from the spot where it was killed without first having filled out and self-validated the proper tag and attached it to the deer according to instructions on the tag.

2. Fails to fill out the proper kill report card immediately after killing a deer.

3. Fails to promptly mail the report card to the Department of Fish and Game after returning home from the field.

Last year 2.2 billion board feet of timber were cut by various harvest methods on California's 17 national forests.

DOG LICENSES MUST BE PAID PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 1 TO AVOID PENALTY

VISALIA — County Clerk James E. Howard this week reminded all dog owners that in order to avoid the delinquency penalty it will be necessary for the 1969-70 licenses to be purchased before September 1, 1969. All applications postmarked on or after that date will be delinquent and the delinquency penalty will be imposed pursuant to Section 4437 of the Tulare County Ordinance Code.

Howard said letters containing complete instructions for renewing licenses were mailed to all owners of presently

licensed dogs and to kennel owners on July 1, 1969.

Dog licenses may be purchased in person at the County Clerk's office or by mail from the county clerk, Room 201, Court House, Visalia 93277. Rabies vaccination certificates, obtained from veterinarians, contain an application and licensing section.

Howard stressed that the application must be filled out completely, must contain the signature of the applicant, and all three copies must be sent or taken to the county clerk in order to obtain a license. He

HOT WEATHER "WITHERS" DEER HUNTERS IN SOUTH

SACRAMENTO — Searing temperatures up to 106 degrees in the national forests withered deer hunters and the buck kill in Southern California as the 1969

urged all dog and kennel owners to purchase licenses before September 1 in order to avoid the delinquency penalty.

Base licensing fees this year have not changed and are as follows: for male dogs and spayed females - \$3.00; for unsplayed female dogs - \$6.00; for kennel operators - \$10.00. The delinquency penalty for dog licenses is \$2.00 and for kennel licenses is \$7.00.

early deer season got off to a poor start last week.

Department of Fish and Game and U.S. Forest Service field reports indicate overall hunter numbers were down about 40 percent from last year, with the buck kill probably down even more.

From northwest San Diego County to northern Santa Barbara County it was the same story. Most hunters were back in their cars by mid-morning Saturday and many of them called it quits then. Sunday morning was a bit cooler at daybreak and, although there were fewer hunters afield, the deer take was up a bit from Saturday.

All of the bucks taken were fat and in very good condition.

CHEER AND SONGLEADER CLINIC AT COLLEGE

PORTERVILLE — Persons who will be students at Porterville College this fall are invited to attend a Cheer and Songleaders clinic the weeks of August 18 and 25. The clinic will meet each evening from 6:30-8:30 in the student union on the campus. According to Carolyn Fazio who is chairman of the clinic, boys as well as girls are encouraged to attend.

The national forests of California cover around 20 million acres, or roughly 20% of the State of California.

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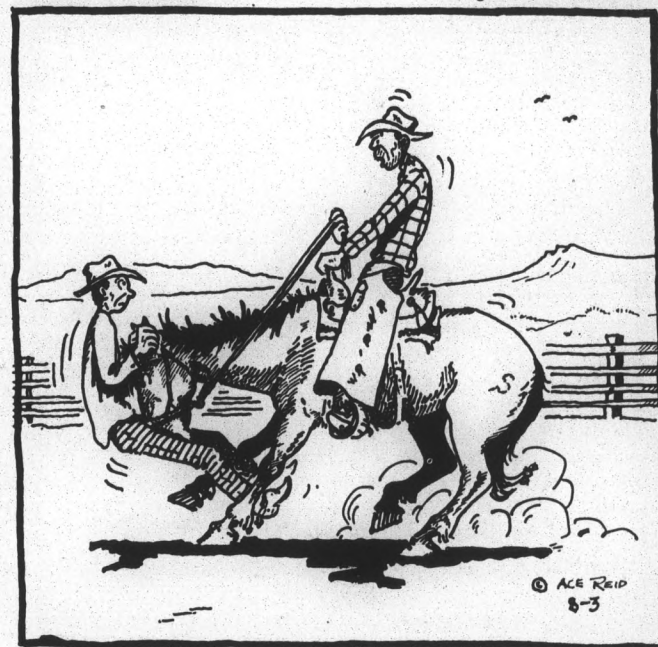
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JUST A DAY'S WORK

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exhaust roar now and then when the engine brake takes hold. Ellsworth wheels it along with no more effort that taking a Sunday drive in the family sedan.

7:58 a.m. - Passed the Vincent ranch. A big buck is feeding with the cattle. Two trucks that had left Terra Bella earlier go by, loaded, headed for the valley.

The 17 trucks that Art Coulter operates to supply logs for Sierra Forest Products move on a time schedule, starting early in the morning and making two round trips daily about 5½ hours per trip. Coulter was originally out of Oregon but has sold his interests there and has bought a home in Terra Bella. He operates eight other trucks in general hauling, with an assist from his wife in the business office.

8:03 a.m. - Through Jack Ranch resort.

8:24 a.m. - Through the Sugar Loaf resort area, right turn into a watered down logging road and into heavy forest.

"Look, Ellsworth, this

road is about wide enough for one truck. What happens when you meet a loaded truck?" "You'll see. There's one about due." There it is, wheeling around a corner, loaded, big. Ellsworth eases off on a turnout, the loaded truck stops alongside. "Hey Bill, how about loaning me two bits?" "How come?" "The Old Lady robbed me and I need a quarter so I can buy a package of cigarettes." "O.K."

8:49 a.m. - Portuguese Pass, the top of the mountain. Toward the east, Kern River watershed, smokey haze hanging below the sharp, blue peaks, a glimpse of the snow-capped high country, white jet streams in a clear sky. Looking back, a miserable, dirty-yellow bank of smog pushing down onto the valley.

9:24 a.m. - Pull into the landing, trailer hoisted off the truck and coupled, the load - this one three logs - goes on, Ellsworth ties it down with chain and cable binders.

9:44 a.m. - On the road, loaded, headed for Terra Bella.

At this point Ellsworth is handling a total weight of some 74,000 pounds, 60 feet long, eight feet wide, powered by a 335 horse

engine, riding on 18 tires, controlled by engine and wheel brakes, geared for 18 speeds (Ellsworth used them all) and guided with power steering. "It's easier than driving a pickup." (That's what Bill said.)

12:29 p.m. - Into the cold deck area of Sierra Forest Products, logs off, trailer hoisted onto truck, Ellsworth is ready for his second run of the day.

When one of those logging truck monsters jumps around a curve at you, that truck is under considerably better control than is your car. Speeds are limited to 20 miles per hour on the hills. With modern braking systems, choice of gear ratios and, power steering, logging trucks move under positive control. And if they get in your way, or they rough up your roads, remember that each one of those monsters pay about \$6,000 per year in licensing and taxes - money that finds its way back into road and highway funds. And to put a logging truck and trailer on the road costs \$32,500. In the Coulter operation, annual payroll runs \$245,000, fuel, tires, parts dump more than a few additional dollars into the local economy.

8:43 p.m. - Somewhere along the Emigrant Trail.

Truck driving seems to run in the Ellsworth family. Bill's father, Hartley Ellsworth, was a truck driver - Porterville's first fire truck - and Bill's son, Larry, is driving logging trucks. Bill has been bringing the big log loads out of the hills since World War II service in the Army engineers - Greenland,

Germany, France. He was one of the bewhiskered stalwarts of the Porterville Centennial, he is a peerless performer in Doc Small's Medicine show, and he is a non-riding participant in the Jackass Mail. Non-riding? Bill says he took a shot at Forest Service work, and he did a little packing for Vernie Pace out of Quaking Aspen. "I was always the first one they shoved out in the morning and the last one to get back at night. I'll stick with the trucks."

BASKETS GIVEN

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Brey, chairman of the Porterville museum committee, will accept the basket collection. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Miss Brey states that after the baskets have been unpacked and arranged in the museum, a day will be set aside for public viewing and possibly a special program at the museum.

Arrangement for the basket collection to be given to the Porterville museum is not the first public gesture by the late Mrs. Mentz. Back in 1952 she purchased the Ackerman property at Hockett and Thurman, then donated it to the City of Porterville as site for a new city library.

The library was dedicated to the memory of Wilko Mentz Sr., who came to Porterville in 1874, became a rancher, business man and banker, and was the first mayor when Porterville incorporated in 1902.

PAMPHLET OFFERED BY HEART ASSN.

FRESNO - "How The Doctor Examines Your Heart" is a pamphlet being offered without charge by the Central Valley Heart association. Copies may be obtained at the Central Valley Heart association office, 1759 Fulton St., Fresno, phone 237-0288, or through heart information center racks located throughout the four county areas served from the Fresno office.

There were 41 million visits to the 17 national forests of California last year.

Bus Driver Examination Set Saturday

PORTERVILLE - Porterville office of the California Highway Patrol, 861 West Morton avenue, will remain open from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, August 16, 1969, for the issuance of school bus driver certificates.

Bus driver applicants are reminded they must have a valid Class 1 or 2 driver's license, obtainable at Department of Motor Vehicles. Applicants holding Class 1 or 2 licenses issued previous to January 1, 1966, are required to submit a medical examination completed by their physician. Forms for this medical exam are available at the Department of Motor Vehicles or the California Highway Patrol.

Applicants should be prepared to take a written examination on school bus regulations and traffic laws. It is necessary for bus drivers to possess a Red Cross certificate that will expire before June 30, 1971, or they may qualify for certification by passing a written examination on first aid practices at the Patrol office.

Fingerprinting and driving tests of bus driver applicants will be arranged at the time of the written examinations.

On the Modoc National forest, in northeastern California, game management activities maintain a herd of over 2,000 head of antelope.

COUNTY SUPERVISORS GET PAY INCREASE

Tulare county supervisors may be fighting the annual "battle of the budget," but they'll manage to find enough money for a raise in pay.

State legislation has increased their salaries from \$8,400 a year to \$10,800; pay increases will also go to the district attorney - from \$18,000 to \$21,000 annually; and to the county auditor - from \$10,000 to \$12,000.

The new salaries will become effective this fall.

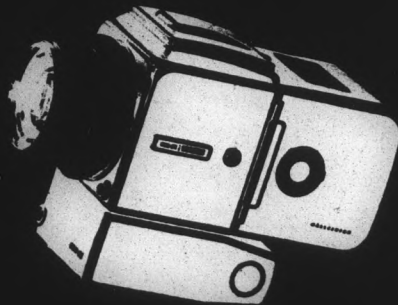
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